

FRAUD CHARGE  
AGAINST 11

Federal Grand Jury Brings  
Indictments for Cheat-  
ing Government

ARMY UNIFORM  
CLOTH CONCERNED

Eight Manufacturers, Two  
Employes and a Govern-  
ment Clerk Accused

New York, Feb. 21.—Eight clothing manufacturers, two employes and a clerk in the quartermasters department of the army were indicted by the federal grand jury to-day, charged with being concerned in extensive army uniform cloth frauds. The indictments were based on evidence gathered in connection with the arrest six months ago of Louis Davidson, head of the Universal Cloth Shrinkage & Refinishing Works.

GERMANS MOVE  
ON PETROGRAD

Are Advancing from Dvinsk to Pskoff,  
180 Miles from Capital—Cavalry  
Pushing Toward Mohilev.

London, Feb. 21.—German troops are advancing from Dvinsk toward Pskoff, 180 miles southwest of Petrograd, according to a Reuter's dispatch from Petrograd. They have occupied Hapsal, Esthonia, and their cavalry is pushing toward Mohilev, the former Russian general headquarters.

A Petrograd newspaper says the Germans have occupied Molochno, an important railway junction northwest of Minsk. Another Petrograd newspaper says the Austrians have begun an advance on the Ukrainian front.

Petrograd, Wednesday, Feb. 20.—(By Associated Press).—Dispatches received here indicate continued German movements along all the fronts toward Vitebsk, Minsk, Pskoff and Revel. German armies were reported to have raised Regista on Monday. Many bombs were dropped and several persons were killed. German troops entered Dvinsk on February 18, just two hours after the armistice ended. Only small skirmishes with fleeing soldiers took place.

BRITISH FORCES  
ARE NEAR JERICHO

They Advanced Three and One-Half Miles  
and Are Within Four Miles of That  
Point—Another Advance North  
of Jerusalem.

London, Feb. 21.—A further advance of three and one-half miles on a front of seven and three-quarters miles has been made by British forces in Palestine. They are now within four miles of Jericho. The British have also advanced northwest of Jerusalem to a maximum depth of one mile on a front of four miles.

GERMANS CONTROL  
AIR IN U. S. SECTOR

Their Airplanes Come and Go Over the  
American Lines Almost at Will—  
There Is Great Need of Amer-  
ican Airplanes.

With the American Army in France, Wednesday, Feb. 20.—By the Associated Press).—The control of the air in the American sector belongs to the enemy. All the officers at the front have made this declaration. German airplanes come and go over the American lines almost at will. If it were permitted to quote the officers of the American expeditionary forces, it would be possible to carry quotations from virtually every officer at the front urging the speedy appearance of American airplanes with American pilots.

DISOBEYED CENSOR:  
HEAVILY FINED

Col. C. A. Repington and Howell A.  
Gwynne Published Article Contrary  
to Orders.

London, Feb. 21.—Fines of £100 each and costs were imposed to-day upon Colonel C. A. Repington, military correspondent for the Morning Post, and Howell A. Gwynne, editor of that paper, for the publication of an article last week in violation of the military censorship.

EIGHT CASUALTIES  
FROM FALLING ROCK

Miners Were Coming to the Surface from  
Copper Mine in Eustis, Quebec—Four  
Killed Outright.

Sherbrooke, Que., Feb. 21.—A rock falling down the shaft of a copper mine at Eustis late last night, when 20 miners were coming to the surface in a car, killed four and injured four, one perhaps fatally.

## GOES ON LICENSE BOARD.

O. N. Pease of St. Albans Succeeds N. E.  
L'Ecuier, Resigned.

Gov. Graham this afternoon appointed O. N. Pease of St. Albans to the Franklin county board of license commissioners to succeed N. E. L'Ecuier, who resigned as he is a candidate for mayor of St. Albans.

GERMANY'S DEBT  
GROWING RAPIDLY

It Is Now 20 Times Higher Than It Was  
at the Outbreak of the War—  
No Plan Yet Devised  
to Meet It.

New York, Feb. 21.—The steady increase in Germany's national debt owing to the war and the delay in adopting a sweeping plan of taxation reform to care for the increased liabilities of the empire, already more than 20 times higher than the national debt at the outbreak of the war, is a source of constant concern to German financial experts.

In the Berlin Tageblatt of Jan. 6, Arthur Norden, the paper's financial expert, sharply criticizes the failure of the government to provide for any redemption of the war debt aside from a proviso establishing a redemption fund for the 4½ per cent treasury certificates which formed a small part of the last two war loans. He calls for radical measures to check the piling up of the burden of war indebtedness.

Norden contrasts with the policy of Germany, which, as is known, has not provided even enough taxation to meet the interest on its war debt and is paying a part of the interest coupons of earlier war loans from new borrowings with that of Great Britain, which, he points out, had raised by taxation almost 25 per cent. of its war expenditures down to the end of 1917.

The argument that a heavier taxation of war profits, which make up the bulk of the nominal increase in Germany's capital, would interfere with the productivity of German industry and the fear that increased taxation of incomes would kill the war-willingness of the population are dismissed as unfounded. In fact, Mr. Norden argues, to attack the abnormally high war incomes attained in certain industries and by certain elements of the population would be of decided value in cutting down the high cost of living resulting from the extravagant standards of life among the war profiteers.

CIVIL VETERANS  
DYING 100 DAILY

There Are Now Approximately 367,000  
Survivors of the War, According to  
Commander Orlando A.  
Somers.

Philadelphia, Feb. 21.—Veterans of the Civil war are dying at the rate of 100 daily, according to Orlando A. Somers, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mr. Somers made this announcement during patriotic exercises in this city in honor of Abraham Lincoln and the Union defenders.

Mr. Somers said there were now living approximately 367,000 veterans, according to the pension office at Washington, and he added that the country would have suffered a great loss after they had all passed away inasmuch as they had been a commanding factor in keeping patriotism alive in this country.

"We may have to send 10,000,000 men across the water before the war-crazed mania of Europe admits he is crushed and beaten, but in the end there can be but one outcome—our armies will return victors," Mr. Somers declared.

DOZEN LARGE  
VESSELS SUNK

And Three Smaller British Ships Were  
Lost During the Week—One Fish-  
ing Craft Sunk.

London, Feb. 21.—British merchantmen sunk by mine or submarine in the past week number 15, according to the admiralty statement. Twelve were 1,600 tons or over and three under that. One fishing craft also sank.

SHIPYARD RESERVE  
MORE THAN FILLED

Government Announces That Over 250,  
000 Workers Have Enrolled in That  
Department.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—Preliminary estimates of the results of a campaign to enroll 250,000 shipyard workers show that the number will be much exceeded and thousands of union men have joined without the restriction against working with unorganized workers.

## COMPENSATION DENIED.

Troublesome Case Disposed of By Com-  
missioner Simonds.

Compensation has been denied by Commissioner of Industries R. W. Simonds in the case of Idella Boyle, Ruby Shirley and Bernice Lowell as dependents of R. N. Lowell, who was fatally injured in 1916 while employed by Charles Joy of Sutton. The claim was made against the Parker & Young company, by whom it was claimed, Lowell was employed. This has been one of the most troublesome cases that has come to the attention of the department. First Mary Ann Lowell made claim for the compensation on the ground that Lowell was killed while employed by the defendant in the above case. Lowell was denied the compensation because she did not have a divorce from Lowell, which was stated above and in this the Boyle woman because she did not show marriage to Lowell. The compensation to the children was denied because it was shown by the evidence that Lowell was employed by Joy, an independent contractor, instead of by the Parker & Young company, and that the independent contractor is not under the act as set forth in its provisions.

## HEAVY WEIGHT FELL ON FOOT.

B. E. Bevins Painfully Injured at St. Al-  
bans.

St. Albans, Feb. 21.—B. E. Bevins of Springfield, a spare man employed by the American Express company, here suffered a painful injury late yesterday afternoon when a heavy sheet of steel sheathing fell on his left foot, badly jamming the big toe. He was taken to the office of Dr. W. J. Upton, where his injury was treated. Mr. Bevins has been in charge of the company's office on Kingston street, where a local Canadian shipments have been held up.

ENGINE TIPPED  
OVER ON ITS SIDE

Fireman J. Godreau of St.  
Albans Was Painfully  
Injured To-day

ENGINEER McCONNELL  
BADLY SHAKEN UP

Double Track of Central Ver-  
mont Was Blocked for  
Five Hours

St. Albans, Feb. 21.—Fireman J. Godreau of this city suffered bruises and torn muscles on his left leg at 6 o'clock this morning, when the engine and one car on the Central Vermont train No. 11, bound from St. Albans to Rouses Point, N. Y., were derailed at a point one mile south of Fonda Junction, or Swanton Junction. The fireman did not sustain any broken bones. The engineer, Alexander McConnell, was badly shaken up, and his face was cut severely. The engine went over on its side. The accident is said to have been due to ice on the rails. A train was run to this city and Godreau was brought to the St. Albans hospital, where his injuries were treated by Dr. Alan Davidson, the railroad surgeon. A wrecking train was made up at this place and went to the scene of the wreck. The line is double-tracked at that point, and both the tracks were blocked for five hours.

DEMAND PEACE  
WITH AMERICA

Austrian Socialists Tell Premier Von  
Seydler to Take Immediate Steps  
to Open Negotiations.

Amsterdam, Feb. 21.—The Austrian Socialist party has submitted an interpellation to Premier Von Seydler, urging him to accept President Wilson's statement regarding the principles upon which a general peace can be discussed. The Socialists demand that the premier take steps immediately to open negotiations between Austria-Hungary and the United States.

ALLIED SOCIALISTS  
TALK WAR AIMS

Assemble Near British Parliament to  
Discuss Alsace-Lorraine, Italy  
and Africa.

London, Feb. 21.—The delegates to the inter-allied conference of Socialist and labor parties gathered yesterday at Central hall, within a stone's throw of the Houses of Parliament for a convention in which they expect to formulate a united statement of the war aims approved by the Socialists of all the allied countries. The British organizations have thirty representatives while the other delegations are much smaller. Each delegation, however, will cast a vote according to the numerical strength of the Socialist party in his country.

The points upon which discussion will chiefly turn are:  
The exact phraseology to be employed regarding Alsace-Lorraine.  
The scope of the measure necessary to give Italy comprehensive race unity and security for the future.  
The provisions regarding tropical Africa and the German colonies.

WORKING HOURS  
ARE LENGTHENED

And Open-Shop Conditions Are to Be  
Maintained to Hasten Repair Work  
on Locomotives and Rail-  
road Rolling Stock.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—To hasten repair work on locomotives and railway rolling stock, an agreement involving the lengthening of working hours, the promotion of apprentices and helpers and the maintenance of open-shop conditions has been reached between Director General McAdoo and A. C. Wharton, president of the railway employees department of the American Federation of Labor. This affects more than 300,000 workmen.

SPEED COMPETITION  
TO BE ELIMINATED

Government Will Also Cut Off Some Oth-  
er Important Passenger Trains  
Soon.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—Fast passenger train competition between New York and Chicago, Chicago and St. Louis, Washington and southern points, will be eliminated soon, the railroad administration announced to-day. Certain roads will be selected for fast passenger trains and others will be devoted more extensively to freight.

## BLAME CROSSED WIRES.

For Two Fires in Derby—J. A. Squires  
Lost \$2,500.

Derby, Feb. 21.—The farm buildings here of J. A. Squires were burned early yesterday morning. Mr. Squires saved all his stock, but lost tools and other personal property. The fire was caused by the breaking of a cross arm holding a 2200-volt electric wire, which fell on a 120-volt wire. The Clyde River Pulp company's plant caught fire from the same source, but was extinguished with little damage. Squires' loss is about \$2,500.

Michael L. Miles of Granvilleville, who recently enlisted in a forestry regiment, passed through the city this morning while on his way to the capital, there to leave for Vancouver, Wash.

SOLDIERS DENIED  
"SUGAR" FURLONGS

War Department Will Not Allow Them  
to Come Home From Camp Deven's  
for the Maple Sugar Season—Men  
in Next Draft Will Not Be  
Called Till After Season.

Governor Graham recently wrote to the secretary of war inquiring whether it would be possible to allow such men as are experienced in sugar-making, furloughs from Camp Deven's from two to four weeks, that they might come home to help in the sugar season, to which the governor received the following reply from the adjutant general of the army:

"War Department, Washington.  
February 16, 1918.  
Hon. Horace F. Graham, Governor of Vermont, Montpelier, Vt.

"Dear Sir: I regret that your letter stating that you have been approached by some of the farmers who are interested in the maple sugar industry, and who inquire whether it would be possible to allow the men from Camp Deven's furloughs, during the sugar season, in order to go home and help in the sugar season, is not feasible. I am unable to advise you favorably in this matter, as there is no authority for granting furloughs for the purpose stated. Very respectfully,  
"H. P. McCain, Adjutant General."  
No definite date is fixed for the next call for drafted men from this state, but it is expected that a meeting held prior to April 20, and very likely not earlier than May 1. This information may relieve farmers from some uncertainty in regard to the effect of the draft on labor during the sugar season.

281 WOMEN  
TOOK THE OATH

Barre Board of Civil Authority Was  
Much Rushed By the Crowd of  
Expectant Voters.

Women seeking to ratify the franchise extended them at the last session of the general assembly by registering for the checklist to be used in the March elections, nearly swamped the board of civil authority last evening at a meeting held especially for their accommodation. Around a dozen members of the board, with F. G. Howland acting as chairman and Judge H. W. Scott administering the oath, had to look sharply to hold their seats, so closely did the eager women crowd the court room at city hall. All told 281 women registered, but nearly twice that number waited at one time or another in the corridor and court room. The board handled the applicants for registration as expeditiously as possible, but it was slow work at best, and many of those who came in the early evening to take the women's oath grew weary of waiting and went home, resolved, however, to try again.

To-night another opportunity awaits those who failed to register last evening. The board of civil authority will convene again at 7:30 o'clock, and if the rush of last night is repeated adjournment probably will be taken to tomorrow evening. In any event another meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday night, so those who have failed thus far to get their names on the checklist by no means have forfeited their last chance.

Thus far 288 women have registered, seven having appeared before the board on one occasion of the first meeting Tuesday night. It is stated that nearly 600 are entitled to exercise the suffrage in municipal matters this year by reason of the fact that they paid taxes last year on personal property or real estate.

## TALK OF THE TOWN

William Davis and Fred Davis of Plainfield arrived in the city this morning, having been called here by the death of their father, Charles E. Davis of the Richardson farm. Another son, Private Newton Davis, who is stationed at Camp Deven's, is expected to arrive in Barre tomorrow morning.

Reports from the basketball game between Montpelier seminary and Colby academy at New London, N. H., last night state that the Vermont boys lost by the score of 31 to 15. The members of the seminary squad returned to the city to-day, having won two of the three matches on their Vermont-New Hampshire trip.

Among the New Englanders whose commissions were announced to-day is Dr. Horace K. Sowles, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Sowles of Beckley street, who has been appointed a first lieutenant in the medical reserve corps. Lieut. Sowles is a graduate of Spaulding high school and Harvard university and has been serving in the Massachusetts General hospital, Boston.

The condition of Mrs. Margaret Smith of Albany, who was overcome while working in her home yesterday, was reported to be slightly improved this forenoon. Mrs. Smith has partially recovered consciousness, although she is unable to recollect any of the circumstances attending her illness and her removal to the city hospital. This morning the woman who made her way into the house after her failure to answer the telephone had caused some alarm, found the woman in bed. In the kitchen range there was a supply of fresh coal, and the gas fumes proceeding therefrom filled the house. Unless complications develop, it is expected that Mrs. Smith will survive the experience.

S. W. Wood, a salesman representing the interests of Swift & Co., had a rather harrowing experience early last evening when returning with a companion and a driver, from a business trip up the Mad river valley. Mr. Wood and his companion, Mr. Woodbury, with the driver, had stopped in Warren, Watfield and Moretown, and were returning toward Barre when their horse suddenly shied as they started to go through an underpass south of Middlesex. Without any warning the horse slid into a hole in the highway. All three got out, real soaking and it was with difficulty that they extricated the horse and sleigh. High water was encountered only near the underpass and the travelers were surprised to learn that nothing had been done by the town and overles to warn passersby of the danger. None of the trio was much the worse for his experience to-day.

To Attend Soldiers' Banquet.  
Gov. Graham, Col. H. T. Johnson and Major Harvey Goodale left Montpelier this afternoon for St. Johnsbury, where tonight they will attend a banquet in honor of the 90 self-inducted men who will leave tomorrow for Camp Greene and other army camps.

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Schedule.  
Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—The first American-built battle planes are en route to France, nearly five months ahead of the original schedule.

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"To meet the situation for the coming year every person who has any leisure should employ it so far as he is able in the production of a wood supply. It should be apparent that the farmer cannot meet the productive demands laid upon him without additional supply of labor, and as the fuel problem is primarily a city and village problem it is the duty of all city and village people to resort to all measures to supply themselves with wood."

SAVE FUEL THO'  
BAN IS LIFTED

No More Heatless Mondays  
Should Not Mean Relax-  
ing of Vigilance

SUPPLIES OF WOOD  
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The Critical Fuel Situation  
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HEATLESS MONDAY  
HOLIDAYS GIVEN UP

New England Fuel Administrators Felt  
That Industries in Other Sections  
Would Begin to Draw  
Labor.

Boston, Feb. 21.—Heatless Monday holidays in New England were abandoned last night. After a prolonged conference of the fuel administrators of the six states, they telegraphed National Fuel Administrator Garfield: "We have decided that we will permit our industries to continue in operation as best they can according to the individual fuel conditions without interference from the application of any general rule."

Among the reasons that the administrators gave for the decision, although fuel conditions as a whole showed no betterment, were that the conditions caused discomfort rather than danger to households and that, with other states continuing to observe the day, a flow of labor would begin to industrial plants of other states.

The following telegram was sent to Garfield: "We have decided that, pursuant to the authority which you have given us, we will permit our industries to continue in operation as best they can according to their individual fuel conditions, without interference from the application of any general rule."

Continuing, the telegram said: "The fuel administrators for the several New England states have held a conference to-day to consider whether business should continue to be suspended on Monday."  
"We are obliged to report that fuel conditions in New England, taken as a whole, show no betterment."  
"The improvement in ice conditions in Long Island sound has brought some relief to southern New England."  
"The improved climatic conditions have also increased somewhat the flow of coal from the southern tidewater ports, and by the all-rail route to eastern and northern New England."

"But this increased inflow of coal has not overtaken the constant cutting down of our reserves, and the task of keeping our railroads going and our public utilities, utilities and essential manufacturing plants in operation has increased day by day."  
"The advancing season has brought us, we think, to the point where conditions are causing discomfort rather than danger to the household, and this, we think, has removed the strongest reason for continuing the fuelless Mondays."  
"Whether our manufacturers shall nurse their diminishing or vanishing coal piles according to some general rule, or according to their individual discretion, does not seem to be a matter of vital public moment."

"We also find during this last week, when the adjoining states were allowed to continue six days, while across the line our states were permitted to run only five days, that a flow of labor has begun from our industrial plants to the manufacturing establishments of the adjoining states."

"Where the New England manufacturer succeeds last summer in accumulating sufficient coal to carry him along for a considerable further period of time to thus permit his labor to be drawn from him seems to be unnecessary hardship from which no corresponding benefit is to be obtained. This applies with particular force to western Connecticut, which is in such close contact with corresponding industrial activity in New York state."

The message is signed by Administrators James J. Storror, Massachusetts; J. C. Hamlin, Maine; C. M. Floyd, New Hampshire; George H. Holmes, Rhode Island; Thomas W. Russell, Connecticut; and H. J. M. Jones, Vermont.

## BATTLE PLANES ON WAY.

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## THICK AND FAST.

Donations for the Red Cross Are Being  
Received.

Donations thick and fast are being received by the Barre Red Cross in anticipation of the winter carnival and cattle show to be held by the Moose Green people March 6 and 7. Harry P. Willey leads the list to-day with 10 gallons of sweet cider and a blooded Plymouth Rock rooster. Mrs. Donald Smith has offered a pen of Buff Orpington pullets, and William Barclay has donated the hall for one night. More livestock is anticipated, and the Green committee is hoping that someone will emulate Mr. Barclay's patriotic donation by duplicating his gift of the hall. The carnival isn't going to be over in a single night! And that is one of the reasons why Mr. Willey is giving 10 gallons of cider instead of five. Below is reprinted some of the latest correspondence.

Goose Green, Vt., Feb. 21.  
Will Drew, Presdt., Barre, Vt.  
Aour dear Will: I will rite a few lines tew let yu know how we are gittin er-long.

This mawnin we ut the general Comitty wuz meetin in whut wuz left of Calico Reynolds old hardware store on Main st. I mean we wuz in the corner thet stands erlone, an rite in the middil of aour business Sandy Willey kam runnin in all aour kind of breth and sed "The old mare iz ded."

Well, thet jes broke up thet meetin rite smartlike an we run out back whar she layed on the graoun hatched tew the slay. Zeke Tobin run fur Gramp Cutler, whu ownned her, an we uns thoght sartin thet she wuz ded ez she layed thet on the graoun jes ez peccol like er eny ded animul cud be. Fintly Gramp kam runnin up puffin like thet of Mountain King of the Chelsea r. r. an sed "Yu of gray mare, git up." Wal believ my ol eyes bulgin aout of my head, thet crittur jump up like a 3 years ol colt ud find Smith an shock him if an kum twen d. aout she hed bin takin her mawnin nap.

We wint back tew aour meetin and preeced ergin. The boys electeded the follin comitty: Advurtisin comitty, Calico Reynolds, Hep Hinman; Doshun comitty, Gramp Cutler, Wilful Ward; Criaah Barr, Ras Eaton, Samuel Gladding.

This here las Comitty hez gut tew sulicet gifts from the whol comitty. Er aour tew mak aour Kattul Show a howlin success thet mus git lots ol live stock sech ez calves, cows, horses, hens, rusters, pigs, guiny hens, turkies, ducks, geese, an er aout thet thet we will mak noise an munny for thet Red Cross.

Et hez bin intymated thet of ery per sun turns daown ery request, the Comitty will jes go rite in tew the barnyard or stabl an help themselves an the boys ut the Green wint blame them onst. By Cracky. We be aout to git lots ol munny for thet Red Cross gals an dont kare whu knows et.

Tite-wads an Penny-Grabbers, watch aout. Yores trewly.

Goose Green Comitty.  
Snaugh Holler, Feb. 20, 1918.  
Mr. Hap Hinman: Praps you fellers think it al rite to mete in Herb Leonard's, Ferd Slatten's and Geo. McFarlan's barn and talk about havin this here benefit for the Red Cross and not tek it up with us fellers. We feel kind o sore fur not callin on sum of us. Isaac LaFleur, Hummings and Dock Wark and the lude dink bunch of us are put aout. Sam. Gladding has alus bin in aour crowd, so has Hen Hodgdon. How is ider you peek aout tew of thet best ider drinkers? Since Fat Cutler got his putatos sprouted he could com daown tew. I see Cart Ward got a lot o' felo kuttin wood, but he could tek em go lang and kum daown to the meetin if you fellers would ask him. I kint dress in this letter to Bill Drew, coz he didnt use ter belong to this ere dern Goose Green bunch, an we no you and that Zeke Tobin put in most o' er rite times twittin the fellers thru Zeb Langley's paper. Wal, the kande it quitten so I quit tew. Excuse lude pencil.

Manager, Squag Holler Bowl Club.

## AFTER LONG ILLNESS.

Wilfred Oliver Marmon of Park Street  
Died To-day.

Wilfred Oliver Marmon passed away at his home, 42 Park street, this morning at 2 o'clock, after a long illness. A year ago he submitted to a serious operation, from the effects of which he never fully recovered. Mr. Marmon was born in Stannard May 27, 1883, the only son of Raymond and Mary Marmon. He came to Barre around 15 years ago, when he was engaged in the barbing business. Later he learned the graniticutter's trade and was in the employ of H. D. Stephens for 10 years. He was married in Barre 13 years ago to Sarah Agnes Griffin, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Griffin of Almonte, Ont., who with two sons survives him. The children are: Raymond Griffin Marmon, aged 11, and Reginald Thomas Marmon, aged three. He also leaves his mother, Mrs. W. A. Culver of Middlesex, and a sister, Mrs. George Long, of Waterbury.

Of a quiet and retiring disposition, the deceased devoted his life to the welfare of his household, where he will be greatly missed. Mr. Marmon was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, the fraternal order of Eagles and the Knights of Columbus, having held the office of financial secretary in the latter order up to the time of his last illness. He was a devout member of St. Monica's church.

Funeral services will be held at the church Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, the parish priest, Rev. F. M. McKenna, officiating.

## MRS. JONATHAN KING.

Granvilleville Woman Had Been Ill for  
Two Weeks.

Mrs. Jonathan King of Granvilleville died Wednesday morning at 2:30 o'clock of acute mania, after an illness of two weeks. She was born in Winslow, P. Q., Nov. 1880, and was married to Jonathan King in 1896. Mrs. King is survived by her husband and six children: Ernest, Emily, George, Eleanor, Shirley, and Glendon; also her father, Norman MacLeay; sisters, Mrs. Frank Morse and Miss Pearl MacLeay of Boston, Mrs. Kenneth Buchanan of Websterville, and brothers, Dan MacLeay of Fayston, Malcolm MacLeay of Charleston, N. H., Alvin MacLeay of Charleston, Gardner and William MacLeay of Claremont, N. H., and Angus MacLeay of Glenclon, Alberta.

Mrs. King leaves a large circle of friends who mourn her decease and extend to the family and relatives their sincere sympathy.

The funeral will be held in the Presbyterian church at Granvilleville Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock, with burial in the Wilson cemetery. It is requested that flowers be omitted.

SUICIDE LEFT  
DIRECTIONS

Charles E. Davis Wrote Letter  
Just Before He  
Shot Himself

DISPOSING OF  
HIS PROPERTY

He Had Secured Relief  
from Three O  
Within  
Near

Charles E. Davis, an elderly farmer living on Richardson road, committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart last evening, having pinned to the wall near his bed a letter setting forth the reason for his act and giving in detail directions for disposing of his property. Undoubtedly continued ill health drove the man to his rash deed, for in the past year he had submitted to three operations, none of which had afforded the expected relief. Mrs. Davis, her two daughters and her son were in the house when the farmer, who had retired a half-hour earlier, shot himself. They were at his bedside in a few seconds, but life was nearly extinct, and death ensued at once.

The farewell letter, as penned by Mr. Davis, is published at his request and with the approval of members of the family, who desire that his wishes be respected. It is given as follows:

"Feb. 8 I want to Monsieur to be examined before a council of doctors. They gave me no hope of being any better. They said there was no chance for me to get any help. All I could do was to go home and make the best of it. I knew it was the truth. I have suffered night and day for the last three months. Nobody knows how much I have suffered during this time. Knowing there is no help for me I am going to stop it right now. My mind is clear and right, my head is level at this time, and I am ready to go now over the river to meet those that have gone before. There is no pain nor death on the other side. Don't shed any tears for me. I am better off than the rest of you. I shall be glad to meet you all some day when God thinks best. Children, take good care of your mother for she has had a hard time all through her life looking after us all these years. Don't let this slip your minds when I am gone. There are two other things that I ask of you. They are that you have this printed in the Barre Times so that all who know me will know that my mind is all right now as